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- 1. YOU MAY INFORM FON MIN KHALATBARY THAT USG HAS NO OBJECTION TO GRUMMAN OBTAINING FINANCING ON COMMERCIAL TERMS IF NO ANCILLARY RIGHTS OF OWNERSHIP OR MANAGERIAL CONTROL ARE INVOLVED. IT IS UP TO GRUMMAN TO DECIDE WHETHER IT WISHES TO PURSUE HELPFUL OFFER BY GOI.
- 2. EMBASSY SHOULD, HOWEVER, BE AWARE, AND YOU MAY INFORM FON MIN, THAT POTENTIAL STATUTORY AND REGULATORY IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT DEPEND UPON ITS PARTICULAR TERMS AND CIRCUMSTANCES (NOT YET KNOWN). THE FOLLOWING ARE ILLUSTRATIVE:
- A. 49 USC 1378 (A) (4) MAKES IT "UNLAWFUL UNLESS APPROVED BY ORDER OF THE (CIVIL AERONAUTICS) BOARD...FOR ANY FOREIGN AIR CARRIER OR PERSON CONTROLLING A FOREIGN AIR CARRIER TO ACQUIRE CONTROL, IN ANY MANNER WHATSOEVER, OF ANY CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES ENGAGED IN ANY PHASE OF AERONAUTICS." SINCE THE GOI OWNS AND OPERATES A FOREIGN AIR CARRIER, IT MIGHT, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, BE SUBJECT TO THIS PROVISION.
- B. DEFENSE DEPARTMENT (DOD) REGULATIONS REQUIRE GRUMMAN TO NOTIFY THE DOD IF A FOREIGN LENDER ACQUIRES "CONTROL" OR "INFLUENCE" OVER IT (DOD 5220.22-N, "INDUSTRIAL SECURITY MANUAL FOR SAFEGUARDING CLASSIFIED INFORMATION," AND DOD 5220.22-R, "INDUSTRIAL SECURITY REGULATIONS"). UPON NOTIFICATION, DOD DETERMINES WHETHER CONTINUED CLEARANCE FOR WORK ON CLASSIFIED PROJECTS IS WARRANTED, AND WHETHER ADDITIONAL SAFEGUARDS MUST BE APPLIED TO PARTICULAR PRODUCTION FACILITIES.
- 3. YOU MAY ALSO INFORM FON MIN THAT OSTENSIBLY CONTRADICTORY STATEMENTS ALLUDED TO PARA 1 REF (A) ARISE FROM MISCONSTRUCTION IN PUBLIC PRESS OF REMARKS MADE BY DOD SPOKESMAN. DOD'S COMMENTS WERE BASED UPON ITS ESTIMATE THAT SUCH CREDIT MIGHT BE OBTAINABLE MORE EXPEDITIOUSLY DOMESTICALLY THAN FROM FOREIGN LENDERS BECAUSE OF POTENTIAL TECHNICAL COMPLEXITY OF CONDUCTING CONFIDENTIAL

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